

I am upset by Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force its stations to air a "documentary" accusing Sen. John F. Kerry of betraying American prisoners during the Vietnam War. This is a political smear-campaign that does not serve the public interest.

We need our news stations to focus on substantive issues facing our local communities, not political attack ads disguised as "documentaries."

I urge the FCC to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. Particularly, we should work toward more diverse and local ownership of media. Large media conglomerates are harmful to the values our country stands for, and impose homogeneity on us all.